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#### **APPENDIX 3B**

# New issue announcement, application for quotation of additional securities and agreement

Information or documents not available now must be given to ASX as soon as available. Information and documents given to ASX become ASX's property and may be made public.

Name of entity			
SANTOS LTD			
ABN			
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We (the entity) give ASX the following information.			
Par	t 1 – All issues	NOT APPLICABLE	
1	Class of securities issued or to be issued		
2	Number of securities issued or to be issued (if known) or maximum number which may be issued.		
3	Principal terms of the securities (eg, if options, exercise price and expiry date; if partly paid securities, the amount outstanding and due dates for payment; if convertible securities, the conversion price and dates for conversion)		
4	Do the securities rank equally in all respects from the date of allotment with an existing class of quoted securities?		
	If the additional securities do not rank equally, please state:  the date from which they do  the extent to which they participate for the next dividend, (in the case of a trust, distribution) or interest payment  the extent to which they do not rank equally, other than in relation to the next dividend, distribution or interest payment		

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5	Issue price or consideration		
6	Purpose of the issue (If issued as consideration for the acquisition of assets, clearly identify those assets)		
7	Dates of entering securities into uncertificated holdings or despatch of certificates		
8	Number and class of all securities quoted on ASX (including the securities in clause 2 if applicable)	Number	Class
9	Number and class of all securities not quoted on	Number	Class
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## Part 2 – Bonus issue or pro rata issue NOT APPLICABLE

11	Is security holder approval required?	
	· '	
12	Is the issue renounceable or non-renounceable?	
13	Ratio in which the securities will be offered	·
1.4	Class of securities to which the offer relates	
15	Record date to determine entitlements	
16	Will holdings on different registers (or subregisters) be aggregated for calculating entitlements?	
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17	Policy for deciding entitlements in relation to fractions	
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18	Names of countries in which the entity has security holders who will not be sent new issue documents	
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19	Closing date for receipt of acceptances or renunciations	
20	Names of any underwriters	
	<i>,</i>	
21	Amount of any underwriting fee or commission	
22	Names of any brokers to the issue	
23	Fee or commission payable to the broker to the issue	

24	Amount of any handling fee payable to brokers who lodge acceptances or renunciations on behalf of security holders	·
25	If the issue is contingent on security holders' approval, the date of the meeting	
26	Date entitlement and acceptance form and prospectus or Product Disclosure Statement will be sent to persons entitled	
27	If the entity has issued options, and the terms entitle option holders to participate on exercise, the date on which notices will be sent to option holders.	
28	Date rights trading will begin (if applicable)	
29	Date rights trading will end (if applicable)	
30	How do security holders sell their entitlements in full through a broker?	
31	How do security holders sell part of their entitlements through a broker and accept for the balance?	
32	How do security holders dispose of their entitlements (except by sale through a broker)?	
33	Despatch date	
	rt 3 — Quotation of securities need only complete this section if you are applying for qu	otation of securities
34	Type of securities (tick one)	
(a)	Securities described in Part 1	· .
(b)	All other securities	
		rowed period, partly paid securities that become fully paid, n ends, securities issued on expiry or conversion of convertible

### Entities that have ticked box 34(a)

Add (If the	litional securities forming a new class of additional securities do not form a new class, go to 43)	f securities
Tick t	o indicate you are providing the information or documents	S
35	If the securities are equity securities, the n securities, and the number and percentage	ames of the 20 largest holders of the additional e of additional securities held by those holders
36	If the securities are equity securities, a dissetting out the number of holders in the ca  1 - 1,000  1,001 - 5,000  5,001 - 10,000  10,001 - 100,000  100,001 - and over	tribution schedule of the additional securities tegories
37	A copy of any trust deed for the additional	securities
(now	go to 43)	·
En	tities that have ticked box 34(l	<b>5)</b>
38	Number of securities for which quotation is sought	50,000
39	Class of securities for which quotation is sought	Fully paid ordinary shares
40	Do the securities rank equally in all respects from the date of allotment with an existing class of quoted securities?	Yes
	If the additional securities do not rank equally, please state:  the date from which they do  the extent to which they participate for the next dividend, (in the case of a trust, distribution) or interest payment  the extent to which they do not rank equally, other than in relation to the next dividend, distribution or interest payment	

41	Reason	for	request for	quotation	NOW
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Example: In the case of restricted securities, and of restriction period

(if issued upon conversion of another security, clearly identify that other security)

Payment of calls on partly paid Executive Share Plan shares pursuant to the Santos Executive Share Plan. The amount paid is as follows:

Plan "2" 15,000 shares at \$2.47; and 35,000 shares at \$2.48.

Number and class of all securities quoted on ASX (including the securities in clause 38)

Class
Fully paid ordinary shares

(now go to 43)

#### All entities

#### Fees

43	Payment method (tick one)
	Cheque attached

Electronic payment made

Note: Payment may be made electronically If Appendix 3B is given to ASX electronically at the same time.

Periodic payment as agreed with the home branch has been arranged

Note: Arrangements can be made for employee incentive schemes that involve frequent issues of securities.

#### **Quotation Agreement**

- 1. Quotation of our additional securities is in ASX's absolute discretion. ASX may quote the securities on any conditions it decides.
- 2. We warrant the following to ASX.
  - The issue of the securities to be quoted complies with the law and is not for an illegal purpose.
  - There is no reason why those securities should not be granted quotation.
  - An offer of the securities for sale within 12 months after their issue will not require disclosure under section 707(3) or section 1012C(6) of the Corporations Act.

- Section 724 or section 1016E of the Corporations Act does not apply to any
  applications received by us in relation to any securities to be quoted and that no-one
  has any right to return any securities to be quoted under section 737, 738 or 1016F
  of the Corporations Act at the time that we request that the securities be quoted.
- We warrant that if confirmation is required under section 1017F of the Corporations
  Act in relation to the securities to be quoted, it has been provided at the time that we
  request that the securities be quoted.
- If we are a trust, we warrant that no person has the right to return the securities to be quoted under section 1019B of the Corporations Act at the time that we request that the securities be quoted.
- 3. We will indemnify ASX to the fullest extent permitted by law in respect of any claim, action or expense arising from or connected with any breach of the warranties in this agreement.
- 4. We give ASX the information and documents required by this form. If any information or document not available now, will give it to ASX before quotation of the securities begins. We acknowledge that ASX is relying on the information and documents. We warrant that they are (will be) true and complete.

Sign here:

Date:

13 December 2002

Print name:

MICHAEL GEORGE ROBERTS

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